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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re patent application of: §  
JAMES I. LIVINGSTONE §  
Serial No.: 10/644,748 § Art Unit: 3672 §  
Filed: August 21, 2003 § Examiner: Giovanna M. Collins §  
For: REVERSE CIRCULATION DIRECTIONAL AND HORIZONTAL DRILLING  
USING CONCENTRIC DRILL STRING

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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE**

Filed with a Request For a Three Month Extension, this is responsive to the Office Action of January 26, 2005. Reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested and are believed to be appropriate in view of the following amendments and remarks:

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